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RESIGNATION OF BANKRUPTCY JUDGE LISA HILL FENNING

Los Angeles, California -- The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California regrets to announce the resignation of the Honorable Lisa Hill Fenning, effective April 30, 2000.

Judge Fenning was first appointed as a bankruptcy judge in 1985 and reappointed in 1999. During her tenure, she was known for her fairness, thoroughness, knowledge of bankruptcy law and good humor. Active in court administration, she chaired the Court's Rules Committee for eight years, led the Court's Bankruptcy Foreclosure Scam Task Force, and played an active role on many other committees.

Judge Fenning's dedication to duty was not limited to the courtroom as she has been actively involved in numerous professional organizations. She has served for six years on the Board of Directors of the American Bankruptcy Institute and was one of the leaders of the ABI's Bankruptcy Reform Study Project. She continues to serve on the American College of Bankruptcy Ninth Circuit Council, as well as the ABA Joint Task Force on Bankruptcy Court Structure and Insolvency Processes. A former member of the Board of Governors of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, she also chaired the Board of Trustees for the NCBJ Endowment for Education and co-chaired the 1995 NCBJ Annual Conference program. A frequent lecturer and panelist on bankruptcy-related issues, Judge Fenning has spoken at many major programs throughout the country; and for the eighth straight year, she is chairing the American Bankruptcy Institute's Bankruptcy Battleground West program in Los Angeles. Judge Fenning has authored many articles, most recently in the *ABI Journal* and the *Los Angeles Times*.

On behalf of the judges and the staff, we are proud and honored that we have had the benefit of Judge Fenning's dedication, knowledge, and wisdom and we wish her success in her new endeavor as a mediator with JAMS.

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Chief Bankruptcy Judge
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